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Ohio is now enrolled with the states favoring an income tax law.

There is one thing certain. That is Billy Lorimer seems to like his job.

Push along the commission plan of city government. Ohio needs to take a hop-step-and-jump and catch up with the procession.

It is almost frightful to think of having a presidential campaign next year. Still Uncle Bud doesn't seem to be running away from it.

Charles Murphy's great work for the people in trying to have Stephen elected Senator does not seem to be appreciated. People instinctively like to see the boss rolled.

If Roosevelt is praying for any more of those antiquated, stratified, old red sandstone Senators we hope he will quit. One is enough. Lorimer will answer for an awful example.

There is some opposition to the new movement to concentrate the state boards. It is founded on what the state gets for nothing from the present members. But what many of the members get from the state for nothing more than overbalancing it.

SENATE ON PENSIONS.

It is said that the responsible managers of the business of the Senate are furious over the action of the House last week in adding \$45,000,000 annually to the pension roll. This was done in the bill increasing the amount of pensions paid under the old age pension law. It is known that President Taft is opposed to the increase provided for. He believes the pension laws as they stand are more than generous. Unless there is a radical change in the sentiment of the Senate the bill will not be passed. One Senator discussing it yesterday said this measure had been condemned more in the cloak and committee rooms than any bill the House has sent over in years.—Lima Republican Gazette.

AN ILLOGICAL GOVERNOR.

Governor Glasscock, of West Virginia, seems quite sure the Senate Democrats who are where they ought to be, in the Capitol endeavoring to perform their duties, are all to the bad and the only really righteous legislators are those who have run away and are now domiciled at the Sinton in Cincinnati. But a governor who has a proper regard for his oath, for his position and its incumbent duties should think twice before he renders his decision in favor of public servants who have fled the Commonwealth to break a quorum in the State Senate. The Governor seems to have decided in favor of lawlessness and evasion of duty and malfeasance in office instead of official rectitude, order and decency. The Senators at Charleston may not be right in everything but they have a much better appearance than the runaways in Cincinnati. And it may not be so certain that if the Governor in pursuance of an illogical program appoints Senator Scott and Senator Elkins to the alleged vacancies they will be seated. There are men like Poindexter, Charles, Cummins, Pomeroy, Johnson, Bristow and their kind who are coming to the front in the Senate and who will put right above party in the settlement of such a dispute. Glasscock's "appointees" may run on the rocks of an awakened conscience when they undertake to get into the United States Senate by crooked methods.

BAITING A WAR-MAD WORLD.

In approving the idea of fortifying the Panama Canal on the theory that "inevitably it would be the chief object of attack in the event of war," the Post of Berlin gives the very reason why the plan should not be carried out. A neutralized canal devoted to peace, progress and commerce under the protection of the great powers would not become the chief object of attack in the event of war. A fortified canal would make the Isthmus the objective of all the fighting nations of the earth.

Emphasizing these self-evident truths, a memorial has appeared at Boston bearing the signatures of Richard Olney, David Starr Jordan, William D. Howells, Bishop Anderson, W. H. P. Faunce, Judge Holt, Henry W. Rogers, George F. Peabody, Francis L. Stetson, Jane Addams and many others. If we err in this understanding it will be in spite of knowledge that should be conclusive among the intelligent and the humane.

Big guns may save the Philippines, Hawaii and Porto Rico, for their capture may not be regarded as absolutely necessary, but in future wars, certain to be largely naval, the canal will be a prize that will be deemed worthy of any sacrifice. By fortifying it we offer it as a bait to a war-mad world. By devoting it to civilization and peace we may safeguard forever a monumental work, discourage strife and bloodshed, and in case of desperate need preserve our defensive energies for fields nearer home.—New York World.

USED TO CUSS WHEN SUNDAY CAME TO TOWN.

Rev. T. A. McAfee, pastor of the First Baptist church and one of the most popular ministers in Portsmouth, confessed Monday that he used to cuss Billy Sunday. Yes, sir, cuss!

But that was before Rev. McAfee was a minister—long before he ever conceived the idea of entering upon the work of the Lord.

It was when he was a young fellow—away back yonder when he used to be perched upon a bleacher seat in Philadelphia and root for the home team. Rev. McAfee says that he was a loyal supporter of the home team, and it was during the time, too, when Billy Sunday was a member of the Chicago White Sox. When the Chicago team came to Philadelphia Rev. McAfee was always present, for there was the keenest rivalry between the White Sox and Quakers. "And Billy Sunday was the thorn in the flesh of the Philly fans," said Rev. McAfee. "When that little piece of dynamite got on the bases he was just as sure to go around as he is now to await the devil between the eyes. He was the greatest base runner of his time and our catchers had as much chance to catch him stealing as a circuit rider has to beat him preaching. And I must confess that we bleachers used to cuss him for further orders. He was a regular dare devil on the base lines and he had the Philadelphia infield scared to death every time he started to steal. He would stretch a single into a double, work the delayed steal, stand the pitcher on his head and dance in glee. That's the way Sunday showed us up, and by his daring base running and his wonderful fielding he won many a game from us."

But Rev. McAfee has long ago forgiven Billy, and is now plugging for him in much the same fashion as he used to root for the home team.

A POSSIBILITY.

All of the river towns of Iowa, with the exception of Davenport, show losses in inhabitants for the past decade.

This might not be esteemed significant, as on the whole Iowa shows a decrease in population, were it not that many inland towns of the state have shown splendid development. We must then look for some other cause besides the general decline of the commonwealth to account for the retrogression in the river municipalities. May this not be found in the decay of river navigation? The Mississippi, like the Ohio, has lost within a generation much of her potency and importance as a bearer of commerce, and where decline is so general along it, it is natural, if not altogether logical to place the effect to that cause.—Portsmouth Times.

It is our impression there is no "general decline" of the Commonwealth of Iowa but that it is, taken as a whole, one of the best, if not the best, communities on the habitable globe. Take the general well being of the people, their financial independence, their moral strength, their educational

improvement and all those elements of spiritual power which really serve to make a state and the people of Iowa have mighty few peers and no superiors. Just because a few river towns have lost trade and population by deflection of traffic by reason of changes in the great transcontinental railway lines doesn't prove anything. Other cities make up that loss and the slight decrease of Iowa's population is due almost wholly to the prosperity of her people. Does anybody think that the decrease in the rural population of such counties as Marion and Champaign is due to a "general decline?" If he does he wants to guess again. It is due to prosperity. Men buy farms, reap good harvests, make money, pay for their land and then buy out their neighbors. A man starts in, say with 80 acres, and rounds up in twenty years with 320. He has had great success but his neighborhood is sometimes more thinly populated. That is what is the matter with Iowa if anything is the matter with Iowa.

TIDE AND CURRENT.

Aunt Carrie's Troubles.

Aunt Carrie Nation has nervous trouble, or has lost her nerve we can't be sure which.—Toledo Blade.

Sims Orders.

Commander Sims, who was reprimanded for an indiscreet banquet speech, has now been directed by his wife to quit the service of an ungrateful country. We shall now see who is the real commander.—Col. Dispatch.

To Interest Linotype Man.

Miss Stefaniak Pletzykowski was married in Chicago the other day. Our only reason for mentioning this was to make the linotype operator sit up and take notice.—Toledo Blade.

Last Service of Burrows.

One of the last services Senator Burrows will render before quitting the Senate for good will be to defend the whitewashing of Senator Lorimer. It will cause his departure to be less regretted than ever.—N. Y. World.

Cannon, Next Session.

But just wait till next session when Mr. Cannon rises from his place on the floor and bursts the tyrannical house rules wide open.—Indianapolis News.

AS CORRUPT AS ADAMS.

Senator Beveridge thinks that Lorimer's election could scarcely be more tainted if it had taken place in Adams county, Ohio, instead of Springfield, Ill.—Kansas City Star.

LOCATING THE SHAME.

Months after the Dick stratagem came a joke to Ohio, the Pittsburg Post solemnly interprets the of the Republican assemblymen as a shameful repudiation of mandatory orders from the electorate. If there was anything shameful about the Republican vote in the state legislature it was that Senator Dick, the distinguished cause of his party's crushing defeat in the state, received a single ballot.—Toledo Blade.

A Mrs. Santa Claus Too.

The Randall Rock Sioux have introduced an improvement into this dramatic feature of the celebration by having Mrs. Santa Claus accompany Mr. Santa Claus on his rounds. She is usually impersonated by a young woman wrapped in the old time blanket and carrying a basket of apples for distribution among the old persons and little children. The popular notion that the Indian lacks a sense of humor is promptly dispelled by any one who looks in on one of these entertainments. The jokes cracked at the life dispensers produce great hilarity and when some squaw rather notorious for her temper unrolls a mysterious package and discovers a neatly ornamented piece of broomstick the cackles and laughter know no bounds.—Washington Star.

Odd Old Roman Epitaphs.

A wife's inscription to her "sweet husband's" tomb, "I put this tomb under the protection of the gods and of all the infernal gods who are looking after it. If a mortal manages it, opens it or carries away something from it, I wish that he may not find soil to walk on nor sea to navigate in and that all his race be destroyed, and on him fall all the maladies and evils that can fall on man or beast. Who dares to profane this tomb shall fear the wrath of the gods."—Emilia.

On the tomb of one Mr. Emilia, "This tomb has been prepared for myself, my brother and my wife; for all my freedmen and their women and children, except Hermenes, to whom, owing to his bad life, the entrance to this place is strictly forbidden."

One epitaph informs us that the man buried behind it "died poor because during his whole life he had been very dissolute."

On a woman's tomb, "If a perfect woman ever existed, I am that one, for I was honest and virtuous, but fate has not rewarded me. Alas! I am unhappy because I rest far from my mother and my husband. They did not love me, but my children did, and they also think much of me."

Over a lady killed by robbers who sought her jewels, "If you love your wife do not make her stay in prison, especially in gold. Give her dresses only, and always refuse to give her splendid and precious jewels, which draw the covetousness of brigands and attract too many flirts."

Two uncomplimentary tributes to

departed spouses. "On the day of her death I celebrated a sacrifice of thanks to the gods." "To Cecilia Megrodora. The husband. Only happy when he regards her tomb."

REFERENDUM ON REAPPOINTMENT BILL

By United Press Wire.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Trouble of divers kind, and assorted sizes, loomed up for the house Republicans today, with the circulation of a unique caucus call carrying a referendum on the proposition of passing a reappointment bill at this session.

Representative Crumpacker, Republican, Indiana, chairman of the census committee, has prepared several bills, and has already had one placed on the calendar. The bill, which provides for a house membership of 435, is eminently satisfactory to the Democrats—too satisfactory many Republicans think.

On the individual petitions with which each state delegation was polled today were two questions, "Do you favor an appointment bill at this session?"

"If a caucus is held, will you abide by its decisions?"

The Republican leaders have learned that in various states where the Democrats now control the legislatures, "reformers" plans have already been made whereby the Republicans would "elect" out of existence. Word from New York is that ten or twelve Republican districts are to be wiped off the map. In Ohio six are booked to go and from half a score of other states, similar plans are reported.

There was widespread admission that today's referendum would go against appointment for this session. By delay the Republicans hope they may gain time to win back some legislators.

Suffragettes Attack Churchill.

Berlin, Jan. 20.—Forty miners are reported to have lost their lives in the Casimire mine near Grönica on the Russian Silesian frontier. No details have reached here.

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Reciprocity Between U. S. and Canada.

Washington, Jan. 20.—No official announcement has yet been given out here regarding the reported reciprocity agreement between the United States and Canada. It is understood that the negotiations between the two countries have been progressing for some time. The draft of a reciprocity treaty and there was little doubt but Canada would give it her approval.

Reciprocity Agreement.

London, Jan. 20.—The Times today prints a despatch from the Washington correspondent stating that the United States and Canadian governments have come to a full agreement regarding reciprocity. The terms of the agreement are not stated.

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HOUSE DEMOCRATS SEEM SATISFIED

By United Press Wire.

Washington, Jan. 20.—With Champ Clark securely lashed in the speaker's chair for the next congress stripped of the power of naming committees, the house Democrats today congratulated themselves on last night's caucus as arranged without a hitch, although Representative Fitzgerald of New York tried to lead a revolt against taking the committee appointing power away from the speaker.

The majority members of the new ways and means committee, headed by Representative Underwood of Alabama, will begin immediately the work of framing the committee appointments, and just as soon as the session is over, will start their tariff investigation.

Did you not hear your neighbors talking about the 1-3 off suit at the Department company? They say that on a portion of their brass beds and odd dressers they are giving 1-3 off.

SCIOTO COUNTY GRAND JURY AT WORK

By United Press Wire.

Portsmouth, O., Jan. 20.—With its regular business completed, the Scioto county grand jury commenced in earnest its probe into alleged bribery in the last election this morning. A dozen precinct committeemen were waiting in the grand jury room when that body convened.

They are expected to tell the inquisitorial body how campaign funds were expended in the last election. Their names and the names of the money they spent were given to the grand jury several days ago, when James P. Brennan and Joseph T. Micklethwaite, chairmen respectively of the Democratic and Republican county committees, appeared before the grand jury with records of campaign expenditures. Their books were turned over to the grand jury.

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May Restore Sight.

New York, Jan. 20.—Doctors are today hopeful that they will be able to restore the sight of Douglas De Grouche, the light opera composer, who was stricken blind last night while playing his piano. They believe that the bursting of a blood vessel caused pressure and later paralysis of the optic nerve. It is expected an operation will relieve this condition.

Mysterious Murder and Suicide.

Baltimore Md., Jan. 20.—Herman Ennor, who separated from his wife some three months ago, shot and killed a young woman in front of the Old Town National bank today. He then shot himself and died soon after reaching the hospital.

The young woman was a prepossessing blond. In a pocket of her coat was found a Washington marriage certificate which set forth that on June 8, 1910, Mattie Wheatley and Jacob P. Handke were married at the First Presbyterian church by Rev. Donald C. McLeod. She wore a wedding ring inscribed "F. S. W. to C. G. T." She has not been identified.

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Injured Man Recovering.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 20.—Robert Shiverick, of Omaha, Nebraska, who was seriously injured Wednesday night in the Grand opera house when the blade of a sword in the hands of M. Mordkin, the famous Russian dancer, flew into the audience and pierced his chest, spent a quiet night and the doctors consider that his chances of recovery are brighter than they were yesterday. There is danger, however, of blood poisoning, as the end of the sword was rusty.

Girls' good 87 cent shoes—broken sizes—Beatty & Long's economy basement—worth for wear \$1.25 to \$1.50.

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Young Desperado Hanged.

San Francisco, Jan. 20.—Louis Augustus, a seventeen-year-old Indian, was hanged in San Quentin today for the murder of Sheriff Kemp of Lake county. Augustus stole a saddle and when pursued by the sheriff shot and killed him.

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MIKADO FORCED TO SHOW HIS HAND

By United Press Wire.

Tokyo, Jan. 20.—The Mikado today went on record as endorsing the repressive measures of his cabinet ministers against the Socialists, when he summoned Premier Katsura and

Ministers Komatsubara, Hirata and

Oura and requested them to retain their portfolios and work devotedly for the state.

The four men yesterday formally tendered their resignations with the intention of discovering whether the emperor approved or disapproved their action in fighting the growth of Socialism in Japan.

The protests against the recent sentencing to death of twenty-four to assassinate the Mikado have been numerous, and the cabinet ministers took this method of committing the emperor to their policy.

HARD TO GET LAST YEARS

Reports Therefore the Fiscal Year May be Changed from November 15 to June 15.

By United Press Wire.

Columbus, O., Jan. 20.—Members of the general assembly are going some trouble in getting at the past year's report of the various departments and state institutions, with the result that the fiscal year of the departments and institutions may be changed.

The present fiscal year ends November 15. Between this and the last of the year, the departments and institutions must get up their annual reports and file them with the governor. They are then sent to the printer, and it is some time a year before they are printed and bound, and by that time their contents are old and practically useless.

The state spends about \$75,000 a year for printing these reports. The penitentiary report is printed in the print shop at the penitentiary. The only other reports that are printed as soon as completed are those of the secretary of state, the tax commission and the auditor of state.

By making the fiscal year end on June 15 instead of November 15, the departments and institutions would be enabled to print their reports by December 31, and they could then be read assembly when it convenes.

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ANGRY VINEYARDISTS DESTROYING WORKS

By United Press Wire.

Paris, Jan. 20.—Every village in the Champagne-making district of France is today occupied by soldiers who have been ordered to quell the rioting there and prevent further destruction of wine by disgruntled

vineyard owners.

For two years the vineyards, as the result of rains and cold weather, have been unproductive. The result has been that wines manufactured in other districts and even abroad, have been sent into this section to be champagne by the bottlers. This is then sold as real champagne.

The growers protest that this action has resulted in cheapening the grades of wine and will eventually ruin the district. As a result many bottling establishments have been wrecked, and the leading growers have served notice on the government that if the practice is not stopped every bottling plant in the district will be demolished.

The Sun.

Two good sized audiences witnessed the opening at the Sun vaudeville last night of the Cher Stock company in the farce comedy, "Where There's a Will There's a Way." The company is all Manager Lee promised his patrons. The play is full of good clean comedy, funny situations and kept the audience in a roar of laughter. Mr. L. W. Grimes is a very clever baritone and his Bridge of Sighs was a hit as he had to respond to quite a number of encores. Reels of motion pictures are presented by the Sunscope during the performance. A good show and up to date.

Your great grandmother lived along simple rules. She would tell you now there's no better rule than to take a cleansing, bracing physic once a week. Her's was Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, never beat as a tonic remedy. As good for you as her. Start tonight. SCHMIDT & CO.

Forty Lives Lost.

London, Jan. 21.—Home Secretary Winston Churchill enacted his favorite role again today of being the target for the suffragettes.

A crowd of about forty carrying a banner inscribed: "Should Winston be jailed?" awaited the arrival of the home secretary at a meeting of the cabinet. When his automobile appeared, the women made a rush for it, and one of them struck at him with the standard, to which the banner was fastened, barely missing him.

The police charged the mob and for a few minutes Churchill was the center of as war like a scene as ever he experienced in his South African campaigning. The police were in no mood for toleration and the clash was soon over, with the women beating the retreat, their banner left behind.

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